

REMARKS

Claims 1-25 have been canceled without prejudice and claims 26-30 have been added. Applicants thank the Examiner for permission granted on July 9, 2003 to submit a revised set of claims for examination in response to the restriction request of May 20, 2003. Support for the present claims can be found on pages 4, 5, 100-102, Table 9, and in Figures 5, 6 and 14. Support for "less than a temperature at which double stranded DNA is denatured into a single stranded molecule" is not explicitly stated but is an inherent limitation in the context of the specification.

The submission of the present claims necessitates the addition of two inventors. These are Elisabeth Raleigh and Fiona Stewart. Consequently, under 37C.F.R. §1.48, Applicants will submit a request to correct inventorship in a subsequent filing with the U.S. Patent Office.

CONCLUSION

For the reasons set forth above, Applicants respectfully submit that this case is in condition for immediate allowance. Early and favorable consideration leading to prompt issuance of this Application is earnestly solicited.

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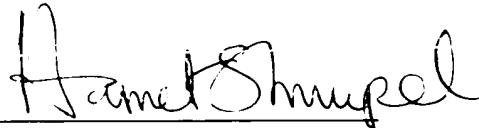
Should the Examiner wish to discuss any of the amendments and/or remarks made herein, the undersigned Attorney would appreciate the opportunity to do so..

Respectfully submitted,

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